

Illinois Crop Progress and Condition

Released October 6, 2014

Fall harvest is well underway, but was delayed by heavy rainfall late last week. Statewide, 2.22 inches of precipitation was recorded, 1.46 inches above normal. The largest rainfall received was 4 inches falling in the West Southwest district. There were 4.3 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending October 5th. The average temperature was 59.0 degrees, 1.1 degrees below normal. Corn mature reached 90 percent, compared to the 5-year average of 82 percent. Corn harvest was 23 percent complete, behind the 5 year average of 45 percent. Corn condition remained at 83 percent good to excellent. Soybeans turning color reached 95 percent, close to the 5-year average of 94 percent. Soybeans dropping leaves reached 83 percent, up 15 percentage points from last week. Soybean harvest was 18 percent complete, compared to the 5-year average of 32 percent. Soybean condition was rated at 79 percent good to excellent. Sorghum mature reached 75 percent and sorghum harvest was 19 percent complete. Pasture condition was rated at 1 percent very poor, 5 percent poor, 25 percent fair, 53 percent good, and 16 percent excellent. Topsoil moisture supply was rated at 1 percent very short, 6 percent short, 74 percent adequate, and 19 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supply was rated at 1 percent very short, 12 percent short, 80 percent adequate, and 7 percent surplus.

Days Suitable for Fieldwork and Soil Moisture Supply: Week Ending October 5, 2014

| District | Dove Suitable | Topsoil Moisture Supply | | | | Subsoil Moisture Supply | | | |
|----------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| and State | Days Suitable for Fieldwork | Very Short | Short | Adequate | Surplus | Very Short | Short | Adequate | Surplus |
| | | (percent) | (percent) | (percent) | (percent) | (percent) | (percent) | (percent) | (percent) |
| Northwest | 5.0 | 8 | 9 | 69 | 14 | 3 | 20 | 69 | 8 |
| Northeast | 4.8 | - | 6 | 93 | 1 | 1 | 17 | 81 | 1 |
| West | 3.9 | - | 1 | 68 | 31 | - | 11 | 84 | 5 |
| Central | 3.0 | 1 | 7 | 69 | 23 | 2 | 10 | 75 | 13 |
| East | 4.2 | - | 5 | 90 | 5 | 1 | 11 | 87 | 1 |
| West Southwest | 3.5 | - | 3 | 68 | 29 | - | 4 | 85 | 11 |
| East Southeast | 4.2 | - | 4 | 66 | 30 | - | 7 | 83 | 10 |
| Southwest | 5.4 | 3 | 28 | 62 | 7 | 3 | 29 | 66 | 2 |
| Southeast | 5.9 | - | 3 | 66 | 31 | 2 | 4 | 76 | 18 |
| Illinois | 4.3 | 1 | 6 | 74 | 19 | 1 | 12 | 80 | 7 |

⁻ Represents zero.

Crop Progress - Illinois

| - | | 2009-2013 | | | |
|---|--------------------|---|--|--|--|
| Item | October 5, 2014 | September 28, 2014 | October 5, 2013 | Average | |
| | (percent) | (percent) | (percent) | (percent) | |
| Corn mature Corn harvested Soybeans turning color Soybeans dropping leaves Soybeans harvested Sorghum turning color Sorghum mature Sorghum harvested Winter wheat planted | 18 94 75 | 80 14 91 68 7 92 62 10 | (NA) (NA) (NA) (NA) (NA) (NA) (NA) (NA) | 82 45 94 82 32 96 79 32 | |

⁽NA) Not available.

Due to a lapse in federal funding in October 2013, the Crop Progress reports for the weeks ending October 6, 2013 and October 13, 2013 were cancelled. Therefore, previous year estimates for the corresponding weeks will not be available. Five-year average estimates will reflect the years 2009-2013 using published estimates for 2009-2012 and imputed estimates for 2013.

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Crop Condition - Illinois: Week Ending October 5, 2014

| Crop | Very Poor | Poor | Fair | Good | Excellent | |
|-------------------------------|------------------|------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|--|
| | (percent) | (percent) | (percent) | (percent) | (percent) | |
| Corn Soybeans Sorghum Pasture | 1 1 2 1 | 3 3 2 5 | 13 17 16 25 | 49 51 61 53 | 34 28 19 16 | |

Crop Progress by District: Week Ending October 5, 2014

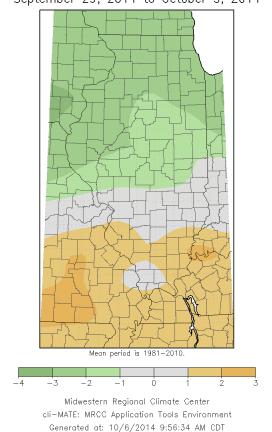
| Item | NW | NE | W | С | E | WSW | ESE | SW | SE |
|--------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| | (percent) |
| Corn mature | 81 | 83 | 89 | 95 | 91 | 96 | 94 | 94 | 98 |
| Corn harvested | 13 | 6 | 12 | 31 | 18 | 40 | 26 | 59 | 26 |
| Soybeans turning color | 99 | 99 | 97 | 97 | 95 | 97 | 96 | 95 | 87 |
| Soybeans dropping leaves | | 91 | 90 | 88 | 85 | 83 | 83 | 74 | 72 |
| Soybeans harvested | 26 | 11 | 7 | 26 | 19 | 22 | 21 | 13 | 16 |

Weather Information: Week Ending October 5, 2014

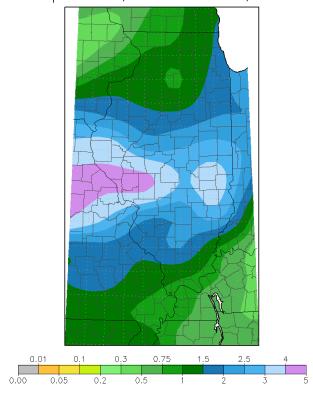
| District | Temper | rature | Precipitation | | |
|--------------------|---------------|--------------------------|---------------|--------------------------|--|
| District and State | Average | Departure from Normal | Total | Departure from Normal | |
| | (degrees - F) | (degrees - F) | (inches) | (inches) | |
| Northwest | 55.2 | -2.0 | 1.09 | 0.30 | |
| Northeast | 55.1 | -2.5 | 1.42 | 0.62 | |
| West | 58.0 | -2.2 | 2.55 | 1.55 | |
| Central | 57.9 | -1.8 | 1.90 | 1.04 | |
| East | 57.7 | -1.7 | 2.13 | 1.33 | |
| West Southwest | 60.1 | -1.2 | 4.07 | 3.35 | |
| East Southeast | 61.1 | -0.5 | 2.94 | 2.23 | |
| Southwest | 63.6 | 1.2 | 1.84 | 1.28 | |
| Southeast | 64.4 | 1.6 | 1.55 | 0.99 | |
| Illinois | 59.0 | -1.1 | 2.22 | 1.46 | |

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Average Temperature (°F): Departure from Mean September 29, 2014 to October 5, 2014



Accumulated Precipitation (in) September 29, 2014 to October 5, 2014



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